

# **WBNS-TV DTV DIRECTIONAL PATTERNS** (Relative Field)

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## ATTACHMENT B

WFIE(TV)—Evansville, Indiana

1. Technical Exhibit

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#### DTV INTERFERENCE ANALYSIS EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

WFIE-TV on NTSC Channel 14 at Evansville, Indiana is providing supplemental information with regard to interference from the co-channel DTV allotment at WTIU, Bloomington, Indiana. Pursuant to the Commission's Public Notice, WFIE-TV is providing further analysis of the predicted received interference considering OET Bulletin 69, "Longley-Rice Methodology for Evaluating TV Coverage and Interference." WFIE-TV is presently operating on NTSC Channel 14 at Evansville, Indiana with a maximum effective radiated power of 2,190 kilowatts with an antenna height above average terrain of 311 meters.

The separation distance between WFIE-TV and WTIU is 165.5 kilometers, where the required separation distance between an analog station and co-channel DTV station in Zone I is 217.3 kilometers according to Section 73.623(d) of the Commission's Rules. As stated in an earlier Technical Statement (dated June 11, 1997), interference will occur by the co-channel DTV operation of the planned Channel 14 DTV Bloomington facility to WFIE-TV. Based on calculations performed using the Longley-Rice propagation methodology contained in OET Bulletin 69, the predicted interference area to WFIE-TV occurs over approximately 260 square kilometers, which contains 2,750 persons.

WFIE-TV again requests that WTIU be assigned a DTV channel which does not interfere with the coverage of existing NTSC station WFIE-TV.

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#### DTV CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION WFIE-TV EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

WFIE-TV on NTSC Channel 14 at Evansville, Indiana is requesting the substitution of the FCC assigned DTV channel. WFIE-TV is requesting DTV Channel 46 in lieu of the assigned DTV Channel 58. Pursuant to the Commission's Public Notice, WFIE-TV is providing an analysis of the proposed substitution Channel considering OET Bulletin 69, "Longley-Rice Methodology for Evaluating TV Coverage and Interference."

Based on the DTV separation distances contained in Section 73.623(d) of the Rules, WFIE-TV can substitute DTV Channel 46 for Channel 58 and meet all the required separation distances to all licensed and authorized facilities. The only distance short-spacings occurs with three vacant commercial NTSC allotments: Channel 46 at Paris, Illinois; Channel 48 at Owensboro, Kentucky; and Channel 61 at Owensboro. As discussed below, these vacant allotments should not prevent WFIE-TV from a DTV facility on Channel 46.

Additionally, the planned WFIE-TV Channel 58 DTV allotment has a severe short-spacing with WFTE(TV) on Channel 58 at Salem, Indiana. The minimum separation distance as required by the Commission is 217.3 kilometers, the actual separation distance is 155.2 kilometers. is a short-spacing of 62.1 kilometers. By reallocating the WFIE-TV DTV Channel to 46, the interference predicted to WFTE(TV) NTSC and WFIE-TV DTV facilities would be eliminated.

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### Channel 46 Paris, Illinois NTSC Allotment

Paris, Illinois presently has a vacant commercial NTSC Channel 46 allotment. According to the Commission's television engineering database, no applications for construction permit are pending for this allotment. therefore appears that the Commission will delete this vacant allotment.

#### Channel 48 Owensboro, Kentucky NTSC Allotment

At Owensboro, Kentucky, a vacant commercial allotment exists for NTSC Channel 48. Also pending are two applications for construction permit (BPCT-960722KL and BPCT-960920IV) for this allotment. It is noted that the minimum distance separations are satisfied toward these two pending applications. The minimum distance separations are less than 24.1 kilometers or greater than 80.5 kilometers. The actual separation distance is 20.5 kilometers from the proposed WFIE-TV Channel 46 DTV allotment reference site. Therefore, the WFIE 46 DTV allotment satisfies the minimum distance criterion toward the Owensboro, Kentucky NTSC Channel 48 pending applications.

The Channel 48, Owensboro, NTSC allotment also has a severe short-spacing to a co-channel DTV allotment at Bowling Green, Kentucky. The Commission's required minimum separation distance is 244.6 kilometers, the actual separation distance is only 122.0 kilometers. short-spacing of 122.6 kilometers. A large amount of interference would occur to both the Owensboro NTSC and Bowling Green DTV facilities with a short-spacing of this magnitude.

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#### Channel 61 Owensboro, Kentucky NTSC Allotment

Another vacant commercial allotment exists on Channel 61 at Owensboro. According to the Commission's television engineering database, no applications for construction permit are pending for this allotment. This channel is also located outside of the "core-spectrum." It therefore appears that the Commission will delete this vacant allotment.

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### ATTACHMENT C

WIS(TV)—Columbia, South Carolina

- 1. Technical Exhibit
- 2. Manager's Statement

# DTV CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION WIS(TV) COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

WIS(TV) on NTSC Channel 10 at Columbia, South Carolina is requesting the substitution of the FCC assigned DTV channel. WIS(TV) is requesting DTV Channel 11 in lieu of the assigned DTV Channel 41. Pursuant to the Commissions Public Notice, WIS(TV) is providing an analysis of the proposed substitution Channel considering OET Bulletin 69, "Longley-Rice Methodology for Evaluating TV Coverage and Interference."

Based on the DTV separation distances contained in Section 73.623(d) of the Rules, WIS(TV) can substitute DTV Channel 11 for Channel 41 and meet all the required separation distances except to three stations: (1) WTOC-TV on Channel at Savannah, Georgia, (2) WTVD(TV) on Channel 11 at Durham, North Carolina and (3) WRDW-TV on Channel 12 at Augusta, Georgia. However, as demonstrated below, minimal new interference is predicted to the above stations from the herein proposed WIS(TV) DTV facility.

#### Proposed WIS(TV) DTV Facilities

The proposed WIS(TV) DTV facility on Channel 11 proposes full-replication of the existing NTSC Channel 10 facility. The proposed Zone II non-directional DTV average effective radiated power to achieve full-replication is 17

kilowatts at the same location and radiation center of the WIS(TV) NTSC facility. 1

#### Principal Community Coverage

As the proposed DTV facility is co-located with the existing WIS(TV) NTSC facility and full-replication of coverage is requested, the principal community coverage requirement of Section 73.625(a) is clearly achieved.

#### WTOC-TV Interference Considerations

According to the Commission's minimum separation distance table in Section 73.623(d), WTOC-TV on Channel 11 at Savannah, Georgia is short-spaced to the proposed DTV allotment on Channel 11. The required minimum separation distance from each station is 273.6 kilometers. The actual separation distance is 236.2 kilometers. Therefore, the short-spacing is 37.4 kilometers from WTOC-TV to the proposed WIS(TV) Channel 11 DTV facility. An interference analysis has been completed to WTOC-TV.

Using the procedure outline in OET Bulletin 69, the new interference to WTOC-TV is determined. According to our calculations, the approximate amount of new, or unique, interference to WTOC-TV occurs over 1,300 square kilometers (km²) which contains 16,864 people. Figure 1 shows the service contour of the proposed WIS(TV) DTV

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  The WIS(TV) NTSC facility on Channel 10 is located at 34° 07" 27" North Latitude, 80° 45′ 25" West Longitude. The antenna radiation center is 553 meters above mean sea level and the height above average terrain is 512 meters.

facility and the Grade B contour of WTOC-TV. Also shown is the existing interference area (dots) which mask much of the DTV interference areas (cross-hatching). A county breakdown of the population and households is shown on Figure 2. The population values are based on the 1990 U.S. Census of Housing and Population.

According to Appendix B, DTV Table of Allotments, contained in the Commission's Sixth Report and Order, Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact upon the Existing Television Broadcast Service, the existing WTOC-TV NTSC interference-free service area is 34,178 km² containing a population of 671,000 persons. The approximate new interference area of 16,864 people represents 2.5 percent of the existing WTOC-TV population.

Additionally, as shown on Figure 1, the predicted new interference area from the herein proposed DTV facility is completely encompassed by the Grade B coverage contours of other stations with the same network affiliation as WTOC-TV.

#### WTVD(TV) Interference Considerations

WTVD(TV) on Channel 11 at Durham, North Carolina is short-spaced to the proposed WIS(TV) DTV allotment. The required minimum separation distance from each station is 273.6 kilometers. The actual separation distance is 265.8 kilometers. Therefore, the short-spacing is 7.8 kilometers from WTVD(TV) to the proposed WIS(TV) Channel 11 DTV facility.

According to our calculations, the approximate amount of new, interference to WTVD(TV) occurs to 55,210 persons over 1,675 km<sup>2</sup>. Figure 5 shows the service contour of the proposed WIS(TV) DTV facility and the Grade B contour of WTVD(TV). A county breakdown of the population and households is shown on Figure 6.

The existing WTVD(TV) NTSC interference-free service area is 38,515 km<sup>2</sup> containing a population of 2,110,000 persons, according to the Commission's Sixth Report and Order. The approximate new interference area with 55,210 people represents only 2.6 percent of the existing WTVD(TV) population.

Also, much of the new DTV interference area is located within the Grade B coverage contours of other stations with the same network affiliation as WTVD(TV).

#### WRDW-TV Interference Considerations

WRDW-TV on Channel 12 at Augusta, Georgia is short-spaced to the proposed DTV allotment on Channel 11. The required minimum separation distance from each station is less than 17.7 kilometers or greater than 146.4 kilometers. The actual separation distance is 128.2 kilometers. Therefore, the short-spallcing is 18.2 kilometers from WRDW-TV to the proposed WIS(TV) Channel 11 DTV facility. An interference analysis has been completed to WRDW(TV).

According to our calculations, the amount of new, or unique, interference to WRDW-TV occurs over 200 km<sup>2</sup> which contains approximately 46,643 people. Figure 5 shows the

service contour of the proposed WIS(TV) DTV facility and the Grade B contour of WRDW-TV. The DTV interference areas are shown by the cross-hatching, the existing interference by the dots. A county breakdown of the population and households is shown on Figure 6.

The existing WRDW-TV NTSC interference-free service area is 32,211 km<sup>2</sup> containing a population of 921,000 persons, according to the Commission's Sixth Report and Order. The new interference area with approximately 46,643 people represents only 5.1 percent of the existing WRDW-TV population.

Also shown on Figure 5 is the Grade A coverage contour of station WLTX(TV) at Columbia, South Carolina, which has the same network affliction at WRDW-TV. The WLTX(TV) Grade A contour completely encompasses the predicted new interference area caused by the WIS(TV) DTV facility.

#### Interference Calculation Methodology

The interference prediction method employed for the herein calculations are based on the Commission's OET Bulletin 69 and the software provided by the Commission. The terrain elevations and the associated Longley-Rice field strength values are calculated at one-kilometer intervals for both the desired and undesired stations with an assumed receiver antenna elevated 10 meters above ground level.<sup>2</sup> The appropriate desired-to-undesired interference ratios were employed with consideration to the off-axis

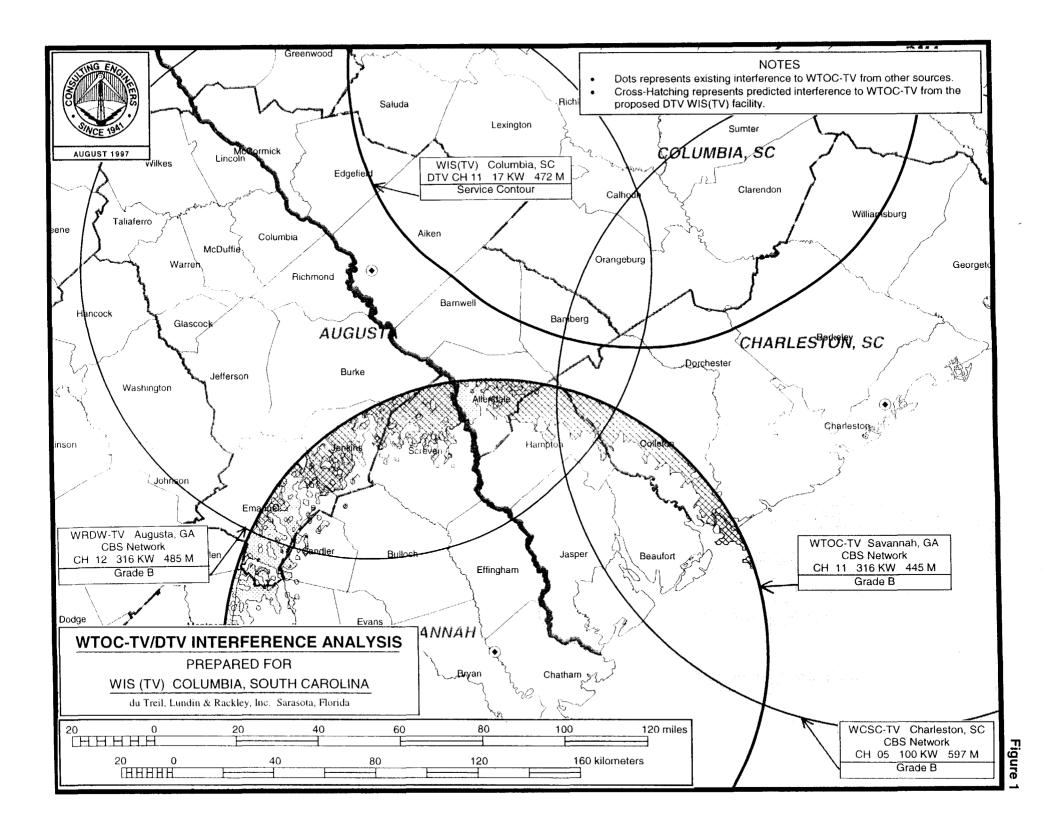
receiving antenna discrimination, where pertinent. An analog receiver antenna radiation pattern with azimuthal discrimination calculated as the fourth power to the cosine of the angle between the desired and undesired stations with an appropriate front-to-back ratios was employed. The Commission's recommendations of the appropriate input parameters of the Longely-Rice propagation model were also used.

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 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  The ground elevations were derived from the three-second terrain database.

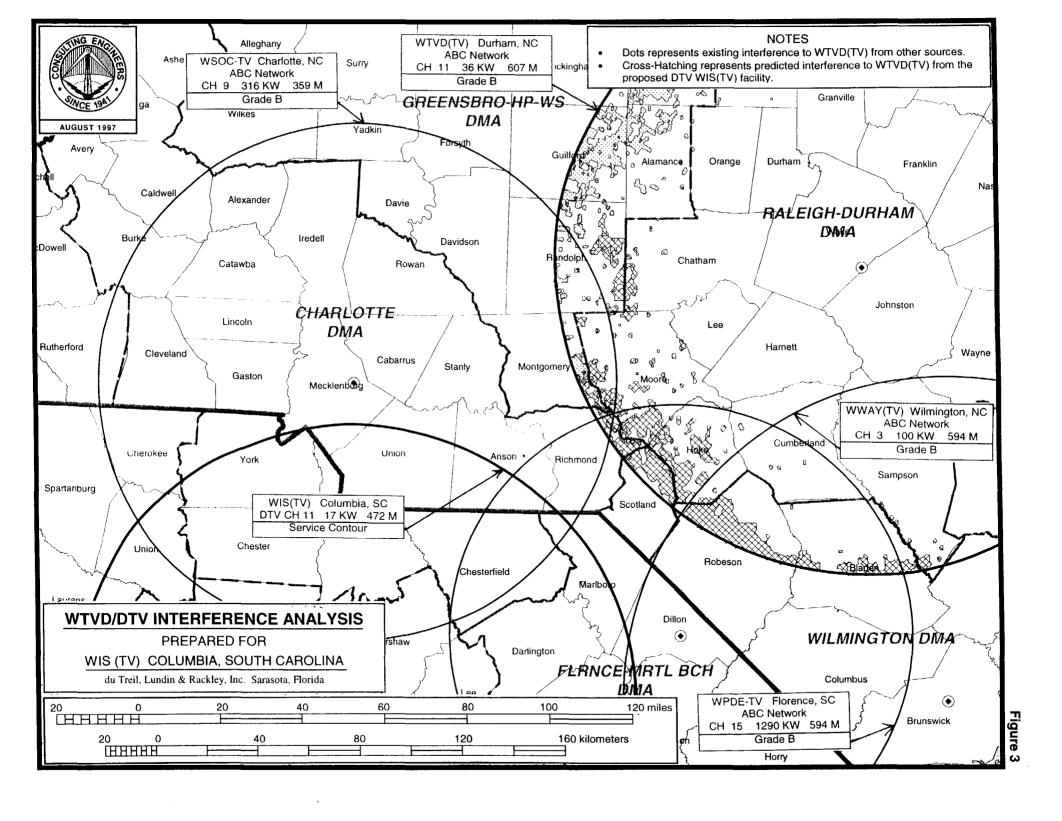


# TECHNICAL EXHIBIT DTV CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION WIS(TV) COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

### Tabulation of New Interference to WTOC-TV from Proposed DTV Facility

	Total County		New Interference1		
County	Population	Households	Population	Households	
Allendale, SC	11,722	3,784	6,263	2,022	
Charleston, SC	295,039	106,858	9	3	
Colleton, SC	34,377	12,139	4,581	1,618	
Hampton, SC	18,191	6,483	5,461	1,946	
Emanuel, GA	20,546	7,405	36	13	
Jenkins, GA	8,247	3,034	198	73	
Screven, GA	13,842	5,041	316	115	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculations are approximate.

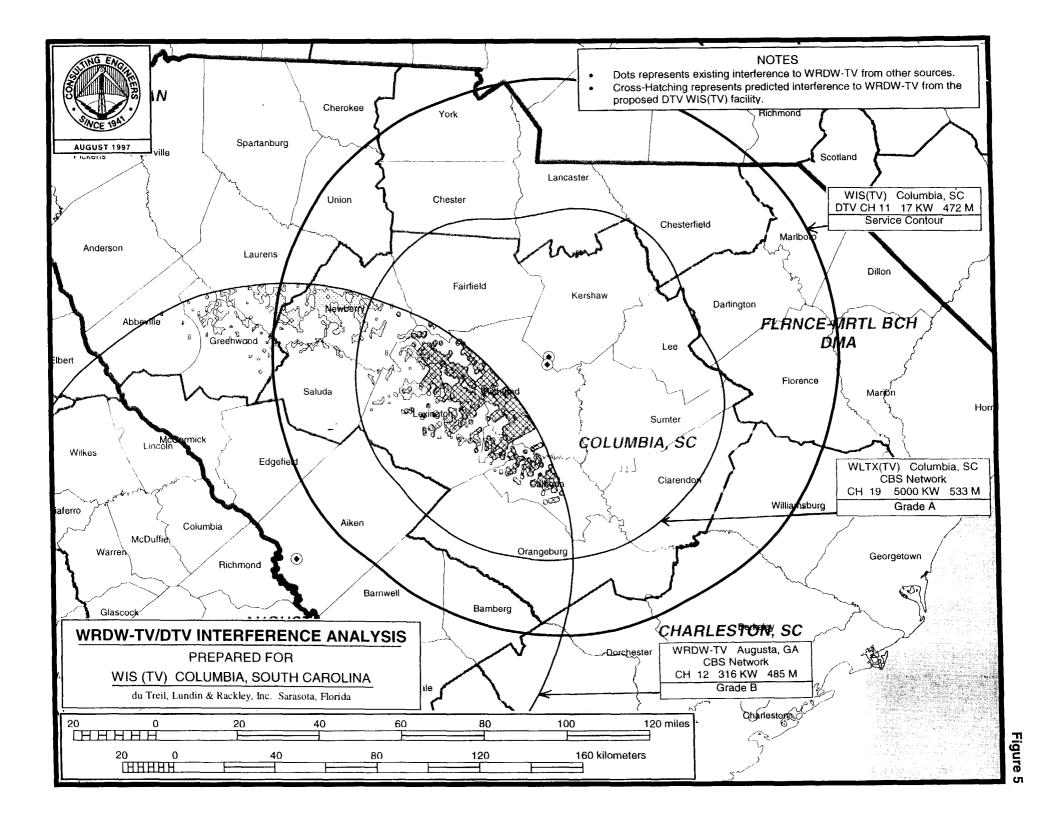


# TECHNICAL EXHIBIT DTV CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION WIS(TV) COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

## Tabulation of New Interference to WTVD(TV) from Proposed DTV Facility

	Total County		New Interference1		
County	Population	<u> Households</u>	Population	Households	
Alamance, NC	108,213	42,798	57	23	
Bladen, NC	28,663	10,807	3,539	1,334	
Chatham, NC	38,759	15,337	889	352	
Cumberland, NC	274,566	91,823	528	177	
Guilford, NC	347,420	137,627	3,154	1,249	
Hoke, NC	22,856	7,359	6,400	2,061	
Montgomery, NC	23,346	8,365	1,728	619	
Moore, NC	59,013	23,684	12,178	4,887	
Randolph, NC	106,546	41,107	6,062	2,339	
Richmond, NC	44,518	16,846	727	275	
Robeson, NC	105,179	36,152	17,359	5,967	
Sampson, NC	47,297	17,630	268	100	
Scotland, NC	33,754	11,739	2,321	807	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculations are approximate.



# TECHNICAL EXHIBIT DTV CHANNEL SUBSTITUTION WIS(TV) COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

## Tabulation of New Interference to WRDW-TV from Proposed DTV Facility

	Total	County	New Interference1		
County	Population	Households	Population	Households	
Calhoun, SC	12,753	4,501	3,660	1,292	
Lexington, SC	167,611	61,864	11,829	4,366	
Newberry, SC	33,172	12,363	133	50	
Richland, SC	285,720	101,543	31,021	11,025	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculations are approximate.



TO:

Steve Smith

FROM:

John Cottingham

DATE:

August 21, 1997

SUBJECT: WIS DTV CHANNEL 11 INTERFERENCE STUDY

The following is an overview of current Nielsen television viewing data gathered to study the potential impact on neighboring stations of WIS broadcasting on **DTV Channel 11.** 

With regard to the Savannah Market: Potential interference in five counties to the NTSC signal of WTOC would only effect 2.6% of the 65,580 homes in those counties at any one time; furthermore, cable penetration in those counties averages 73%.

With regard to the Augusta Market: Potential interference in the counties of Lexington and Richmond (both of which are in the Columbia Metro) to the NTSC signal of WRDW is only 0.2% of 180,680 homes in those counties at any one time. Those countles have 62% cable penetration.

With regard to the Raleigh-Durham Market: Potential interference in nine countles to the NTSC signal of WTVD would only effect 2.3% of the 184,670 homes in those counties at any one time. Those counties have 50% cable penetration. Of the three counties within the Raleigh DMA, 5.6% of homes might experience interference at any one time.

Summary: As a result of this research we believe that the granting of permission to WIS to broadcast a DTV signal on channel 11 would have minimal impact on viewers within our projected signal pattern and should be allowed by the FCC.



# **MEMORANDUM**

TO: John Cottingham

FROM: Renee Carter

DATE: August 21, 1997

RE: DTV interference areas

Per the Nielsen County Coverage Study 1997, the viewing levels and cable penetration for counties indicated as important in the DTV issue are:

County	Total Households	Sun-Sat 7a-1a AQH Share of viewing to other station	Actual Households Affected	Cable Penetration
WTOC (Savennah)				
Allendale	3,620	3	53	43%
Beaufort	36,840	12	469	95%
Jasper	5,770	39	920	45%
Hampton	6,670	11	243	44%
Colleton	12,700	2727		44%
TOTAL	65,600	2.6	1,685	73%
WRDW (Augusta)				
Lexington	72,760	1	299	53%
Richland	107,920	-		68%
TOTAL	180,680	0,2	299	62%
WTVD (Durham)				
Moore*	26,070	19	1,688	55%
Hake*	9,630	12	401	42%
Robeson	39,030	6	737	46%
Scotland	12,370	10	461	57%
Richmond	17,130	area to the		79%
Macon	10,730		**===	60%
Montgomery	8,060	2	54	38%
Randolph	44,490	1	81	48%
Chatham*	17,160	17	697	28%
TOTAL	184,670		4,319	50%
Durham DMA				
Subtotal	52,860	5.8	2,986	44%





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# MEMORANDUM

DATE:

August 19, 1997

TO:

Steve Smith

FROM:

John Augustine

RE:

**DTV Interference Analysis** 

The following is information from Renee Carter on viewership in counties in which WIS DTV channel 11 would cause interference to WRDW, WTOC and WTVD. WRDW is very low as expected. Allendale, Hampton and Colleton counties are the only ones that show interference to WTOC from Charles Cooper's maps. Allendale and Hampton may have masking (existing interference?) if I understood Charles correctly. If so then Colleton county is the only one that counts, good numbers. The WTVD information is pending. Some of the interference to them is in their ADI so the numbers are expected to be high. This requires some action on our part to reduce the interference.

			Cable	
County	Households	Share	Penetration	
WTOC (Sevennah)				
Allendale	53	3	43%	
Beaufort	469	12	95%	
Jasper	920	39	45%	
Hampton	243	11	44%	
Colleton	**************************************		44%	
WRDW (Augusta)				
Lexington	299	1	68%	
Richland			53%	
WTVD (Durham)*				
Moore	1,688	19	55%	
Hoke	401	12	42%	
Robeson	737	6	46%	
Scotland	461	10	57%	
Richmond	~~~		7 <b>9</b> %	
Macon	***		60%	
Montgomery	54	2	38%	

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\*Our county coverage books includes only SC counties - these are all in NC. I have a call in to Nielsen in an attempt to get this information; however, our rep is in Nashville and (obviously) does not have this information with her - we are trying to get in touch with someone else in that office to pull it for us, but it may not be today

To compile a list of all cable systems carrying each of these stations in each of these counties is potentially a week-long project and may not be accurate even when completed to the best of our information. I included the percentage cable penetration per county; the household numbers/shares are Average Quarter Hour, include cable and non-cable households, and are current with the 1997 Nielsen county coverage information just received.

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